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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:** Robert A. Luciano, Jr. *et al.*    **Examiner:** Hsu, Ryan  
**Application No.:** 10/750,275    **Group Art Unit:** 3714  
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**Title:** VOUCHER GAMING SYSTEM AND METHOD    **Customer No.** 66880

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**AMENDMENT / REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This amendment is timely filed in response to the final Office Action mailed March 7, 2007.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 1, 3, 9-11, 13, 15-18, 20, 23, 24, 29, 30, 33, 36, 39-41, 43, 45, and 46 are pending in the present application. Applicants submit that claims 15-16, 23-24, and 43 were omitted from the listing of pending claims at pages 1 and 2 of the Office Action as an oversight. Claims 1, 13, 15-18, 20, 23, 24, 30, 33, 36, 41, 44, and 45 have been amended. Claims 4-7, 8, 12, 14, 19, 25-28, 31, 34, 35, 37, and 44 have been canceled.

Claims 1, 3, 9-11, 13, 17, 18, 20, 29, 30, 33, 39-41, 45, and 46 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wilms (U.S. Pat. No. 5,277,424) in view of Congello, Jr. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,569), in view of Rowe *et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,682,421), and further in view of Walker *et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,012,983). Claims 15-16, 23-24, 36, and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wilms in view of Congello, in view of Rowe, in view of Walker, and further in view of Skratulia (U.S. Pat. No. 5,690,335).